

QUARTER CENTURY
WIRELESS ASSOCIATION, INC.



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YEAR BOOK



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Akron (Ohio)	Missouri
Alabama	Mid-Continent (Kan)
Anthracy (Pa)	Mohawk Valley (NY)
Arizona	Nebraska
Baltimore	Nevada
Canton	New England
Central NY	Nor. California
Chicago	Northwest (Wash)
Citrus (Fla)	N. Indiana
Cleveland	Oklahoma
Dallas	Pittsburg (Pa)
Dayton-Cincinnati	Reading (Pa)
Delaware Valley	San Diego (Calif)
Findlay (OH)	San Antonio (Tex)
Finger Lakes (NY)	So. California
Fort Wayne (Ind)	Susquehanna (Pa)
Florida East	Sydney (Australia)
Gator (Fla)	Toledo
Harrisburg (Pa)	Tulsa (Okla)
Houston (Tex)	Upper Midwest (Minn)
Joliet (Ill)	Washington, DC
Metro, NY (New York City)	West Gulf
Michigan	West Virginia

In addition, there are other chapters in the process of formation. As the above chapter officers change yearly, no listing of names are therefore made at this time. Various News letters will show these from time to time.

CHARTER MEMBERS

W2FX	John Di Blasi	*W2FD	John A. Gioe
*W2IN	G. T. Droste	W2CO	Walter A. Cobb
*W2FIT	Leon Hansen	*W2MM	Earl R. Thomas
W2PF	David Talley	W2KW	Clarence Seid
W1HRX	James Millen	*W2BT	Kurt Schoenfeld
W2AMB	Fred W. Huff	K4AW	Reeve O. Strock
W2DX	Irving Groves	W4BJ	Raymond Farrell
*W2II	W. J. Howell	W4MW	Jack Heidt
W2UD	Uda B. Ross	W2AS	W. H. Kennedy
W2RB	W. H. Neuman	*K4BA	F. A. Long
W2EF	E. S. Crane	*W2KU	Oscar Oehman
*W2EA	Otto Eppers	W2MY	Murray Blum
W2AMJ	Frank Lester	*W2ILO	W. L. Wheeler, Jr.
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W2BR	Lester Reiss	W2BNY	Moe Joffe
W2KR	Morton Kahn	W2BB	Nat Burnett
*W2PL	Dan E. Lindsay	*W2KN	Perce B. Collison
*W2FO	H. T. Hayden, Jr.	W2QF	George Nolan
W2FZ	Frank Frimerman	W2BKY	Harold Wetterholm
W2OG	Alfred B. O'Hara	W2MIN	Philip Levison
W2LFR	Harold D. Perry	*W2DI	Dr. E. A. Cyriax
W2BW	Dr. A. L. Walsh	W2VH	Dr. Paul Z. Haus
W2CVF	Ralph Hasslinger	*W4IE	Charles A. Service, Jr.
W2EC	F. C. W. Thiede	*W9WNF	Myron J. Earl
*K4GG	E. W. Dannals	W9NN	Robert E. Baird
K2CM	Thomas McCann	*W6YYU	Gordon Braendle
*W2GX	R. D. Valentine	W2YQ	Ambrose H. Hardwick

PAST PRESIDENTS

JOHN DiBLASI, W2FX, President Emeritus	1947-1964
*EARL R. THOMAS, W2MM	1964-1968

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY - EMERITUS

*RALPH G. BARBER, W2ZM	1955-1964
*Deceased	

HONORARY MEMBERS

W1AE/W3DF	George Sterling	Peaks Island, Portland, Maine
(exW2XE)	Paul Godley	Houston, Rd., Great Notch, N. J.
	Hon. Rosel H. Hyde	2709 McKinley St., N.W., Washington, D. C.

LIFE MEMBERS AND 50 YEAR AWARD MEMBERS

Life members are indicated in BOLD FACE TYPE in the membership listing.
 Members who have received the Golden Anniversary Award for Fifty Years of service as a Licensed Radio Amateur are indicated by a (†).

HISTORICAL DATA

QCWA had its inception during a 10-meter (30 MHz) "round-table" on Friday evening, November 14, 1947 when John DiBlasi, W2FX; Uda Ross, W2UD; John Gioe, W2FD; Edwin S. Crane, W2EF; Dr. Ernest Cyriax, W2DI and Irving R. Groves, W2DX; decided that they should meet with other old-timers and form an Association of amateur radio operators who had been licensed for twenty-five years or longer. The first official meeting was held on Friday evening, December 5, 1947 in New York City at which time the following old-timers founded the QUARTER CENTURY WIRELESS ASSOCIATION, Inc., and elected John DiBlasi, W2FX, President; George T. Droste, W2IN, Vice President; Leon A. Hansen, W2FIT, Secretary and David Talley, W2PF, Treasurer:
 WIHRX, W2BJ, W2BR, W2BT, W2BW, K2CM, W2CO, W2DK, W2EA, W2EC, W2EF, W2FD, W2FO, W2FX, W2FZ, W2GG, W2GX, W2II, W2IN, W2KR, W2KW, W2MM, W2OG, W2PF, W2PL, W2RB, W2UD, W2WZ, W2YW, W2AMB, W2AMJ, W2CVF, W2FIT and W2LFR.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

It is the purpose of this message to acquaint interested parties with the aims and objectives of the Quarter Century Wireless Association. Our members are regularly kept up to date on our activities through news letters sent to them throughout the year.

We are an international organization of Radio Amateurs, each of us licensed for 25 or more years by our respective governments. We endeavor by and through our association to foster and encourage the advancement of the art and science of Radio Communication as well as friendship and cooperation amongst those with a common interest.

A reading of the call signs and names listed in our Bi-Annual Yearbook is an excellent indication of the high esteem Amateurs of the world hold for membership in the QCWA. There one will find recorded the calls of practically all the hams who have grown up with wireless/radio since the earliest days and the open spark gap era.

Since our organization in 1947 we have been growing constantly and now have about 5000 members with 48 chapters. We are especially proud of and wish to welcome the recently formed Sydney, Australia Chapter by our brother hams "Down Under". We look forward to other such additions, and in this connection, expect a large increase in our ranks as those who were licensed shortly after the end of World War II in 1945 will become eligible to join us in 1970.

Our annual fall dinner is looked forward to by members and guests from the entire world. We hope to see you there.

Clarence Seid, W2KW/KV4AB
President

QUARTER CENTURY WIRELESS ASSOCIATION, INC.

(Founded 1947)

CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE I

Name and Purpose of the Association

Sec. 1. This Association shall be known as the QUARTER CENTURY WIRELESS ASSOCIATION, Inc.

Sec. 2. The purposes of the Association shall be:

- (a) To foster and develop friendship and co-operation among amateur wireless and radio operators of more than twenty-five years' standing.
- (b) To take general interest in all matters affecting or involving amateur wireless or radio and sponsor such actions as may be deemed proper in their interests.

ARTICLE II

Membership

Sec. 1. The membership of the Association shall consist of those persons who have signed the Certificate of Incorporation, together with all persons who are hereafter received in or elected to membership as hereinafter provided.

Sec. 2. Any person is eligible for membership who submits satisfactory proof that he or she is a licensed amateur radio (wireless) operator, that he or she was licensed as such twenty-five or more years ago and who, upon submitting an application, is approved by the Board of Directors, as provided in the By-Laws of the Association.

Sec. 3. The classes of membership and the fees therefor will be prescribed in the By-Laws.

Sec. 4. Any member may withdraw from the Association by presenting to the Secretary a written statement of resignation.

Sec. 5. A member may be expelled for the violation of the By-Laws of the Association or for other cause prejudicial to the best interests of the Association. Such expulsion may be effected by a two-thirds vote of the Board of Directors at a duly called meeting.

Sec. 6. Any resigned or expelled member forfeits all rights and/or privileges of the Association.

ARTICLE III

Government

Sec. 1. The general management of the affairs of the Association shall be vested in the Board of Directors, who shall be elected as provided in the By-Laws.

Sec. 2. The Officers of the Association shall consist of a President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, and such other Officers as the Board from time to time may designate.

Sec. 3. The Board of Directors shall consist of the President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer and five other members of the Association.

Sec. 4. The Board of Directors shall meet at least once each year and at the call of the President. At least one-half of the Board members shall be present to constitute a quorum.

Sec. 5. If a vacancy occurs among the Officers or in the Board of Directors, such vacancy shall be filled for the unexpired term by the Board of Directors.

Sec. 6. The President shall be a member ex-officio of all committees.

ARTICLE IV

Meetings

Sec. 1. The Association shall hold an annual meeting before the end of each calendar year at a time and place to be designated by the Board of Directors.

Sec. 2. The purpose of this meeting shall be the election of the Officers and Directors of the Association and such other purposes as may be necessary or proper for the conduct of the Association.

Sec. 3. Other meetings of the Association may be held throughout the year, the time and place to be designated by the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE V

Sec. 1. No financial obligation shall be incurred on behalf of the Association except by the unanimous approval of the Board of Directors as covered in the By-Laws.

ARTICLE VI

Amendments

Sec. 1. This Constitution may be amended only by a two-thirds vote of the members present at a regular annual meeting.

Revised as of October 15, 1967.

QUARTER CENTURY WIRELESS ASSOCIATION, Inc.

BY-LAWS

(As Revised January 23, 1970)

ARTICLE I

Membership

Sec. 1. A person eligible for membership may apply by making application in the form prescribed by the Board of Directors and submitting with application three years' dues plus an entry fee.

Sec. 2. Each application will be considered by the Board of Directors and, if approved by the Board of Directors, the applicant will be notified of his election to membership.

ARTICLE II

Dues

Sec. 1. Each applicant for membership shall remit an Entry Fee of Three Dollars (\$3.00) plus three years' dues of Five Dollars (\$5.00), making a total of Eight Dollars (\$8.00), which shall be returned to him or her should the application not be approved.

Sec. 2. Dues shall be prepaid to the Association in the amount of Five Dollars (\$5.00) for three years, Ten Dollars (\$10.00) for six years, Twenty-Five Dollars (\$25.00) for Life Membership.

Sec. 3. Any member whose dues have not been received by the Association prior to ninety days after the first of the calendar year, shall automatically cease to be a member in good standing. Such member (in default) may, at the option of the Board of Directors, be dropped from the membership rolls of the Association and shall thereupon cease to be a member of the Association.

Sec. 4. Each applicant accepted for membership shall be assigned a membership number in arithmetical sequence. This number shall not be reassigned to another member unless authorized by the Board of Directors.

Sec. 5. Applicants accepted for membership who were former members may be reassigned their original membership number, if available, upon the payment of all the back dues to date and three years in advance; or upon payment of Life Membership dues.

ARTICLE III

Board of Directors

Sec. 1. The Board of Directors shall have control of the property and affairs of the Association and shall fix its policies. They shall have power to hold meetings; appoint committees; accept new members and suspend, censure and take all necessary and proper steps to carry out the principles of this Association and promote its best interests. They may appoint a General Manager and fix his compensation.

Sec. 2. Meetings of the Board of Directors shall be held within the State of New York.

Sec. 3. No Officer or Director shall receive remuneration for his services in any capacity.

Sec. 4. The Officers and Directors of the Association shall serve for a term of two (2) years or until their successors are duly elected.

Sec. 5. After December 31, 1967, no member may qualify for nomination to be an Officer or Director unless he shall have been a member in good standing for more than two (2) years.

ARTICLE IV

Duties of Officers

Sec. 1. The President shall preside at all meetings of the members of the Association and of the Board of Directors, and shall appoint such committees as he or the Board of Directors shall consider expedient or necessary.

Sec. 2. In the absence of the President, the Vice-President shall perform his duties, and in the absence of both the President and Vice-President such Officer as may be present shall preside and assume the duties of the President.

Sec. 3. The Secretary shall be responsible for the corporate records of the Association.

Sec. 4. The Treasurer shall be responsible for the funds of the Association and accountable to the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE V

Executive Secretary General Manager

Sec.1. The Executive Secretary/General Manager, as appointed by the Board of Directors, shall conduct the administrative duties of the Association and be generally responsible to the Board of Directors through the President.

ARTICLE VI

Nominations and Elections

Sec. 1. At least sixty days prior to the annual meeting each odd-numbered year, the President shall appoint a Nominating Committee subject to the approval of the Board of Directors. The report of this Committee will be submitted to the membership at least twenty (20) days prior to the annual meeting together with a ballot form. The Nominating Committee shall submit eligible candidates for President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer and five Directors.

Sec. 2. Notwithstanding the foregoing, a petition may be submitted signed by one hundred (100) members in good standing to the Secretary, post-marked at least sixty (60) days prior to the annual meeting, nominating any eligible member in good standing for any office or directorship. Upon receipt of such a petition, the Secretary, upon verifying the validity of the petition, shall cause the name of the candidate to be placed on the ballot.

Sec. 3. The election of the candidates shall be by written ballot vote of a majority of the members in good standing voting before the closing of the polls. The polls shall be open not less than thirty (30) days before the date set for the regular Annual Meeting, and shall close ten (10) days before the opening date of the regular Annual Meeting.

Sec. 4. The President, with the approval of the Board of Directors shall appoint two or more members, who are not candidates, to serve as Tellers for counting the ballots. The Tellers shall certify in writing the results of the ballot count for each candidate or the matters to be decided by balloting.

Sec. 5. Each candidate shall be requested to submit in writing a brief biographical outline to the Secretary at least thirty (30) days before the date set for the opening of the polls. This brief biographical outline shall accompany the ballot mailed to each member in good standing.

Sec. 6. The Association's membership list, directories, Year Book, addressograph plates or any other membership mailing facilities shall not be sold, nor be made available to any person or organization, unless authorized by the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE VII

Chapters

Sec. 1. Chapters may from time to time be formed upon approval of the Board of Directors. The requirements for a Chapter shall be as follows:-

(a) Each Chapter member must be and continue to be a member in good standing of the Quarter Century Wireless Association, Inc.

(b) The Chapter must have at least ten members residing in the same geographical area.

(c) The Chapter members must be governed by the principles, Constitution and By-Laws of the Quarter Century Wireless Association, Inc.

(d) Each Chapter shall elect a Chairman and Secretary who shall correspond with the Quarter Century Wireless Association, Inc. and shall keep current correspondence and information with the Quarter Century Wireless Association, Inc.

(e) Each Chapter may have such local business or social meetings as it wishes and for such purposes as within the spirit of the Quarter Century Wireless Association, Inc.

(f) Each Chapter member of the Quarter Century Wireless Association, Inc. may attend regular Quarter Century Wireless Association, Inc. meetings and functions, and enjoy all the benefits and privileges of the Association.

ARTICLE VIII

Financial Obligations

Sec. 1. All obligations incurred by the Association shall be solely corporate obligations and no personal liability whatsoever shall attach to, or be incurred by, any member, Officer or Director of the Association by reason of any such corporate obligation.

Sec. 2. The President may approve expenditures of the funds of the Association up to an amount of Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250.00) during the calendar year providing that a proper accounting is subsequently made to the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE IX

Amendments

Sec. 1. These By-Laws may be amended from time to time by affirmative vote of a majority of the Board of Directors at any regularly called meeting of the Board of Directors.